

## VERMONT NEWS.

## Health Officers' School.

The eighth annual school for the health officers of Vermont opened at Burlington Monday evening, Dr. Charles Caverly of Rutland, president of the state board of health, made the principal address, on Modern Sanitation and the Methods and Instruments Which are Being Devised to Protect Life and Conserve Physical Health. Mason S. Stone of Montpelier, state superintendent of education, spoke Tuesday on Hygiene of the Schoolhouse. Dr. J. W. Copeland of Lyndonville read a paper on Contagious Diseases in the School and in the afternoon Dr. Fred C. Valentine of New York spoke on Venereal Diseases, a Peril to the State. H. L. Stillson of Bennington read a paper on Public Opinion and Preventive Medicine. In the evening, George C. Whipple, consulting professor to the Brooklyn Polytechnic institute, spoke on Sewage Disposal. Wednesday, Dr. R. H. Miller of Rutland read a paper on the Advantages of Notification in Typhoid, Pneumonia and Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis and Alexander Dunnett of St. Johnsbury one on Sanitary Laws. In the afternoon the Vermont association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis held a symposium on tuberculosis, several papers being presented. Wednesday evening Dr. Herbert N. King, chief physician at the Loomis sanatorium, read a paper on the Relative Merits of Sanatorium and Home Treatment of Tuberculosis. The school closed Thursday afternoon with a paper on "Pure Food" by Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry at Washington, and another on the Medico-Legal work of the State Laboratory in its relation to the State, by Prof. H. L. White. These officers were elected: President, Dr. W. N. Bryant of Ludlow; vice-presidents, Dr. H. L. Stillson of Bennington and C. S. Page of Hyde Park; treasurer, Dr. W. L. Havens of Chester; secretary, Redfield Proctor, Jr., of Proctor.

## Vermont Undertakers' Convention.

The sixth annual meeting of the Vermont Funeral Directors and Embalmers' association opened in Burlington Tuesday afternoon, President M. J. Moran of Brattleboro presiding. Prof. H. S. Eckels of New York city gave an illustrated lecture Wednesday morning the annual address of the president was given by M. J. Moran of Brattleboro. This was followed by an address by Rev. G. W. Brown, who urged upon the members of the association the abandonment of Sunday funerals as far as possible and asked them to co-operate with the clergy in making funeral arrangements. President Eckels spoke of the national association spoke briefly. In the evening a demonstration was given by Prof. Eckels, who had two embalmed bodies on exhibition. One of these had been embalmed for 15 years and was an object of much interest. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, J. A. Carrigan of Poultney; vice-presidents, E. N. Miller of Brandon, C. M. Edson of Williamstown; secretary, A. E. Hale of Bradford; treasurer, L. F. Cabot of Windsor; chairman of executive committee, M. J. Moran of Brattleboro. The convention closed with a session Friday morning.

## Pharmacists in Session.

The Vermont Pharmaceutical association opened its 13th annual convention in Burlington Wednesday with the largest attendance in its history. President F. W. Mitchell of Richmond gave an address during the past year. E. B. Hyde of Bennington and O. K. East of Wells Falls were appointed delegates to represent the association at the annual meeting of the N. A. R. D., to be held in Atlanta, Ga., October 3-5. Nineteen new members were taken in. The report showed \$80 on hand and the officers are: President, Charles P. Bigelow of Newport; vice-presidents, E. B. Hyde of Bennington, B. W. Abbott of Fairlee, Charles Wilson of White River Junction; secretary, W. E. Terrill of Montpelier; treasurer, D. F. Davis of Barre. The annual banquet which has been a feature of these meetings was held Thursday, the delegates and their ladies boarding the steamer Chateaubourg in the morning and going to Plattsburgh. From that city they went by train to Dannemora and were shown through that institution. On the return the party stopped at Bluff Point and had lunch at the Hotel Champlain. A pleasant feature of the occasion was the presentation of a handsome loving cup to F. W. Mitchell of Richmond, the retiring president. The presentation speech was made by Fred Amidon of Boston, who tendered the cup in behalf of the association. In his annual address President Mitchell said: "Our present liquor law is not endorsed, but denounced by the public, the physician and the druggist."

## At the Government Breeding Station.

The breeding stable erected by the government at Burlington for the purpose of increasing Morgan horses is practically completed, but as yet but one mare is in the city. The rest of the mares purchased by the government are at different points and will probably not reach Burlington in less than 20 days. As soon as the mares arrive they will be turned out to pasture. At the rear of the stable is a large tract of land which will be used for a pasture but this will have to be cleared out so that nothing that could possibly injure a horse will be left. The quarters for the mares are all that could be desired. Large, airy stalls have been built and running water will be installed. The director has quarters in the stable and a large office has been finished off for his use.

## Another Sanatorium.

There will be a concerted attempt made during the next Legislature to secure a state appropriation for a state sanatorium for incurable cases of tuberculosis, notwithstanding the fact that Senator Proctor has just presented the state with an up-to-date institution, the foundation of which will soon be commenced at Pittsford. The state tuberculosis commission, together with many others believe that this is only a beginning in the right direction and that from now on for some years the state must do more in carrying out this much needed work. The campaign waged the past two years by the state commission officially by the legislature has been one of education and there is no doubt a marked change in the sentiment throughout Vermont as to the need of preventative measures to keep down tuberculosis in the state.

## To Abolish Toll Bridges.

A meeting of the interstate bridge commission of Vermont and New Hampshire was held at Windsor, July 10, with a full attendance of the commissioners. Gilbert A. Davis of that place gave the chief ad-

dress in which he gave a history of the present movement to have toll bridges between Vermont and New Hampshire purchased by the states and made free to the public, a history of state aid for bridges in Vermont, and urged that the two states purchase the 11 toll bridges over the Connecticut river and issue bonds at a low rate of interest to pay for the same. After other speeches Sherman A. Evans of Windsor introduced a resolution embodying the ideas advanced by Mr. Davis which was unanimously adopted and will be presented by the commissioners to the next legislature.

## State Sunday School Convention.

The preliminary program for the annual convention of the Vermont Sunday School association has been completed. The convention will be held in Randolph, October 16-18. The meeting on Tuesday evening, the 16th, will begin at 7.15, with various topics, including an address, "The Keynote," by Rev. C. W. Rowley, Ph. D., of Bennington; addresses by P. S. Retan of Burlington, W. C. Pearce of Chicago, and Rev. S. G. Barnes, D. D., of St. Johnsbury.

A morning prayer service will be held Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, followed by the thanksgiving and the petition. Then will come an open conference on organization, conducted by Mr. Pearce and General Secretary Fuller of Burlington, with 20 minutes each devoted to the consideration of "Our New Constitution" and "County Associations." Following music at 10 o'clock Dr. Barnes will conduct 15 minutes with the "Word," after which reports will be heard as follows:

Executive committee by H. A. Slayton of Morrisville, chairman; treasurer, by D. L. Wells; elementary secretary, by Mrs. W. A. Ferguson and general secretary, by Mr. Fuller. The morning session will be closed by an address by Clarence J. Ferguson of Burlington, on "How Can the Sunday School Teach Temperance?"

The Wednesday afternoon session will open at two o'clock. Miss Edith M. Balch, home department field secretary, will give her report, after which an address will be given by the Rev. P. L. Frick of Chelsea, Mass., on "The Two Fold Mission of the Sunday School." Dr. Barnes will then give a Bible reading and Mr. Pearce will deliver another address. At four o'clock a department conference will be conducted, followed by a meeting of the board of directors.

In the evening the report of the committee on recommendations and provisions for the new year will be heard, with a lecture by Prof. E. P. St. John of Hartford, Conn.

After praise and prayer on Thursday morning open conference on home department and organized classes will be conducted by Mr. Pearce. The co-operative forces in the State, the American Sunday School union, the Baptist convention and the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing society will then be considered. The morning session will be closed by another lecture by Prof. St. John.

The chief events of the Thursday afternoon session will be the report of the teacher training secretary, the Rev. R. J. Barton of Greensboro, and the presentation of diploma, an address on "The Living Forces in Bible School Teaching," by the Rev. John D. Pickles, Ph. D., educational secretary of the Massachusetts Sunday School association; unfinished and new business, and another lecture by Prof. St. John.

The convention will be brought to a close Thursday evening with an address by Mr. Pearce, a lecture by Prof. St. John and "The Parting Message from the Word," by Dr. Barnes.

## Fast Automobile Riding.

W. S. Webb, Jr., accompanied by a friend, made a fast spin in his automobile Thursday covering the distance between Burlington and New York city in 15½ hours. The car is a 50 horse-power American and the entire trip, made at hot speed most of the way, was passed through without a mishap. The two young men went from Rutland, reaching there at 6.30, Bennington, and through Massachusetts to New York city, taking advantage of the newly macadamized state roads. They reported that the roads south of Rutland were in good condition. Those between Rutland and Shelburne were rotten, they said.

## Great Marble Core.

James P. Burns, of South Dorset, a veteran marble tester, has removed a core of marble from the property of the Norcross and West Marble company at South Dorset, which is even longer than the one which he took out a year ago, and which was known to be the largest ever quarried in the United States. The core was removed from the land recently purchased by the company of James Cody. It measures 21 feet and two inches in length, and is of a fine grade, the color being green and white. The piece was 40 feet below the surface, was perfectly sound, and had to be broken off at the bottom. The core taken out by Mr. Burns last year was 19 feet and seven inches long.

## Veteran Railroad Man Dead.

Jonas Wilder, aged 93 years, Vermont's veteran railroad man, died June 30 at the home of his son in Woodstock, Mass. Wilder was born in Wendell, Mass., October 12, 1813. In his younger days he had charge of the engineering work in the construction of the Central Vermont railroad. Later he was for many years superintendent of the old Rutland & Washington railroad division of the Delaware & Hudson railroad under the management of Jay Gould. The last railroad work with which he was associated was the construction of a line at Bristol, Tenn., he having entire supervision of the work. Mr. Wilder passed some years in West Rutland in mercantile business and was also numbered among the business men of Vergennes for a short time. During his residence at Woodstock he had the management of Cloudland, a large stock farm owned by Elton A. Smith, of Smithville, N. J. He gave up these duties only a few months ago. Mr. Wilder is survived by two sons, Arthur R. Wilder, manager of the Woodstock Inn, and Fred W. Wilder, cashier of the Woodstock National Bank.

Louis Marcott, of Windsor, a retired farmer, aged 77 years, committed suicide by hanging July 9. Mr. Marcott had been despondent of late owing to trouble over money matters and threatened to do away with himself but nobody paid any attention to these threats. He has lived with his sister, Mrs. Joseph Lapine, on Everett lane for over a year, moving from Cornish Flat, N. H. He leaves several children.

A letter written 52 years ago has just been received by Mrs. Stephen Bergen of Montpelier. The wanderings of the missive during all these years are not known except that it went through the dead letter office. It was delivered by the Montpelier postman just like any other letter. It was written from Dailyskagan, Kilkenny county, Ireland, April 10, 1854 by Mrs. Katherine Bergen, who was the grandmother of former Alderman Bergen of Montpelier, to Miss Eliza Bergen. It was delivered to Mrs. Stephen Bergen by the postman who knew the one to whom it rightfully belonged.

There is a rumor that the affairs of the defunct People's National Bank of Swanton, which failed about two years ago, are to be closed up soon with a final dividend.

The work on the new Brown library at Northfield has been completed and work of grading the grounds has begun. The dedication of the library will take place August 14. There will be many prominent men in the state present. It was expected that there would be representatives of the Vermont Association of Boston of which organization George W. Brown, the donor of the library, is a member, but the association has decided to postpone its trip to this state until October, that it may visit Montpelier during the session of the Vermont legislature.

On July 6, Francis Hadd of Richmond, celebrated his 100th birthday. He was born in St. John Baptiste, Quebec. He is remarkably active for his age and his faculties are well preserved. On Wednesday he led the Fourth of July parade in that place. He had 12 children, of whom four sons are now living.

News was received in Barre, July 9, that Daniel Barber, aged 23 years, son of Dr. C. N. Barber, of that city, was drowned in Moosehead lake, the Saturday previous. The body arrived Tuesday night, accompanied by Edward Belleville, who was engaged with Mr. Barber in railroad construction work. Mr. Barber had charge of a large railroad building contract on the Bangor & Aroostook railroad in the Moosehead lake region. He is survived by his father and five brothers and sisters.

W. B. Lechin, receiver for Shepley & Stevens, has sold to Livingston Cushing, of Massachusetts, 2,160 acres of wild land on the mountain side in the southeastern part of Richmond. The land was the property of Shepley & Stevens, and was sold under an order from Judge Loveland Munson, which permitted the sale.

J. E. Smith of Newport, a Dartmouth College graduate, has been engaged as principal of the Lamotte Central Academy of Hyde Park for the coming year.

The state board of medical examiners conducted examinations in Burlington Tuesday. Thirty-three men took the regular examination, 26 of them being graduates of the medical department of the University of Vermont, Burlington, this year. Twenty-one physicians from different parts of the state took the special examination for the purposes of reciprocity. Of these a few were not previously recorded under the old law. No further special examinations will be given by the board for the purposes of reciprocity.

Walter E. Ranger, commissioner of public schools of Providence, R. I., was re-elected president of the American Institute of Instruction, at New Haven, Conn., last week.

Rev. Thomas Simms, pastor of the Congregational church of Middlebury, has received a unanimous call to the pastorate of the Congregational church at Braintree, Mass., which will celebrate its 200th anniversary next year, and which boasts a total service of 140 years by three pastors. Rev. Mr. Simms came to Middlebury nearly six years ago from Manchester, Ct., and during his pastorate here has won for himself a high place, not only as a clergyman, but as a citizen. As a clergyman Mr. Simms has been a strong worker and an organizer. He has been exceptionally successful. The two young people's societies resulted from his labor. He has been actively identified with educational matters.

John Seith, formerly connected in an official capacity with the Modern Woodmen of America, in Vermont, was brought to Burlington June 13, from Buffalo, N. Y., and is now in jail waiting trial in the United States courts. He is charged with sending postal cards through the mail which contained matter defamatory to the character of A. O. Palmer, state deputy for the Modern Woodmen. The cards were mailed at St. Albans and one was sent to A. R. Talbot, at Lincoln, Neb., the other going to Mr. Palmer. Seith was indicted by the federal grand jury at the last term of court at Windsor. He was out of the state then, but was located in Buffalo.

A large number of Italians have arrived in Bennington and South Pownal and active operations in constructing for the Berkshire Street Railway company, the 11 miles extension of its road from the Massachusetts state line to Bennington have been begun.

Vermont will be represented in the New England rifle tournament to be held on the Bay state range, Walsfield, Mass., July 23, by Col. J. Gray Estey, Capt. Harold M. Howe, Lieut. John C. Holden, Vermont National Guard. These officers volunteered their service and will be on duty at the range some portion of the week and officiate as range officers. One of the important events of the coming tournament is the prize offered by the old guard of Massachusetts for the championship of New England.

The property which was seized a few days ago at Newport by the custom officials of that port will be disposed of as required by law. A car of hay consigned to the Manchester Hay and Grain Co., of Manchester, N. H., was opened and between the bales of hay a new harness was found. The car was immediately held and 11½ tons of hay and one harness are awaiting disposal.

The members of St. John's Episcopal church of Manchester have voted to buy as a site for their new church building the Gray cottage, now owned by the Equinox company. The site, which is next to the home of Mrs. W. B. Burton, on the east side of Main street, is located near the center of the village. It is expected that funds for the erection of the new edifice will soon be available.

At the meeting of the school board July 12, Principal E. E. Thompson of Montpelier high school was given leave to withdraw his acceptance of a contract for next year and was allowed to resign, the resignation being accepted. He is going to Easthampton, Mass., where he has a much better position. The place of Miss Katherine L. Coover, who resigned, was filled by the election of Miss Maud Wilmarth of Lisbon, N. H. Miss Delta Collins of Springfield has been engaged a teacher of history.

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## Presentation of Account.

WILLIAM DANA'S ESTATE.

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate court, held at the probate office in St. Johnsbury, in said district, on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1906.

Charles A. Bunker, Administrator upon the Estate of William Dana, late of Peacham in said district deceased, presents his administration account for examination and allowance, and makes application for decree of distribution and partition of the estate of said deceased.

Whereupon, it is ordered by said court, that said account and said application be referred to a session thereof, to be held at the probate office in said St. Johnsbury, on the 16th day of August, A. D. 1906, for hearing and decision thereon; and it is further ordered that notice hereof be given to all persons interested, by publication of the same three weeks successively in the Caledonian, a newspaper published at St. Johnsbury, previous to said time appointed for hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and show cause, if any they may have, why said account should not be allowed and such decree made.

By the Court, Attest.

WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.



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